



**EXPEDITED PROCESSING REQUESTED:  
RESPONSE AFTER FINAL**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of	) Examiner: Charles Patterson
Sudhir Paul et al.	) Art Unit: 1652
Serial No. 09/862,849	)
Filed: May 22, 2001	)
For: "Methods for Identifying	)
Inducers and Inhibitors of	)
Proteolytic Antibodies,	)
Compositions and Their	)
Uses"	)

**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER**

**37 C.F.R. §1.116**

**Introductory Comments**

In response to the Official Action dated December 2, 2003, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: